IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JONATHAN FISHER, : CIVIL ACTION

Petitioner :

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v. : NO. 02-1764

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JEFFREY BEARD, et al.,

Respondents :

ORDER

STENGEL, J.

AND NOW, this 10th day of August, 2009, upon careful and independent consideration of the petition for writ of *habeas corpus*, and after review of the thorough and well-reasoned Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Timothy R. Rice, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. The petitioner's objections are OVERRULED;
- 2. The Report and Recommendation is APPROVED and ADOPTED;
- 3. The petition for writ of *habeas corpus* is DENIED with prejudice;
- 4. There is no probable cause to issue a certificate of appealability;
- 5. The Clerk of Court shall mark this case CLOSED for statistical purposes.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Lawrence F. Stengel

LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, J.